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PREMIER NORRIS ANSWERS THE STRIKE COMMITTEE

CALGARY IS ONLY SLIGHTLY DISTURBED BY STRIKE THERE; EDMONTON CONDITIONS SERIOUS

Street Cars and Other Public Utilities Operating in Alberta Capital, But Inactive in Edmonton—Police and Firemen in Edmonton Said To Be Under Orders From the Strike Committee.

Calgary, May 28.—Business was not noticeably dislocated today by the general strike. Street cars were operating and lighting plants, theatres and hotels were conducted as normally. Volunteers are at work in the postoffice, and more will be added, it was announced. About 200 of the Government employees are on strike.

Conditions at Edmonton were reported as more serious. The street cars had stopped, restaurants and hotels were closed or badly crippled, and the electric lighting system shut down. Police and firemen were said to be at work under orders from the strike committee.

ENEMY DEMANDS TWELVE BILLION MARKS BECAUSE OF BLOCKADE

Counter-Claim To Be Presented To Offset Indemnity Demand by Allies.

Versailles, May 28.—The German peace delegation here, it was learned today, will present a counter claim of 12,500,000 marks for damages from the Allied blockade, as an offset to the reparation demand of the Allied powers.

STRONGLY CRITICIZES CONDUCT OF OFFICERS DURING KINDEL RIOT

Captain Black, in Defending Private, Condemns Actions of Camp Authorities.

PLEADED NOT GUILTY

Soldier With Withered Hand Arraigned Under Court-Martial.

Liverpool, May 28.—At the Kinmel Park court-martial, strong criticism of the actions of the camp authorities during the riots was made by Capt. Black, defending Pte. James Scott, who was charged with the murder of a British soldier. The accused, who since his birth had a withered hand, enlisted in Vancouver in December, 1914. He pleaded not guilty to the charge of joining the mob.

The strange thing, said Capt. Black, was that this man should be in the army at all. They should look elsewhere for those responsible for the rioting, which would never have occurred had the camp been properly conducted. He should not be made the scapegoat while the higher authorities were allowed to go free. Before the court-martial closed, Scott was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment, but following some distance behind.

The evidence showed that the accused was with the rioters when the first flag was hoisted. After the white flag had been hoisted, Scott, a dazed man, said: "Kill the damned bastards." "This is hell—come on, someone, lead us and we will go to them again." The accused was removed under escort.

The case in which Pte. Whalley Hamelin, medical corps, and Pte. Everett Unfield Smith, 20th Reserve, were charged together with joining the mobbing and with conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline, was concluded, and the accused were both removed under escort. Evidence was given that a field court-martial had sentenced Hamelin to penal servitude for life, and after a further sentence, the case for the prosecution was that the accused was carrying a red flag and led the rioters to Camp 20. The defence was that Hamelin was insane, and that Scott was not among the rioters, but following some distance behind.

What's Doing Tonight?

THEATRES.
Majestic—Dorothy Dalton, in "The Home-Breaker," and vaudeville.
Grand—Bert Lyell, in "Blackie's Redemption," and vaudeville.
Patricia—Tom Mix, in "Hell Roarin' Reform," and vaudeville.

OTHER EVENTS.
St. John's Royal Arch, No. 3—Regular convocation at 8 p.m.
Annual Meeting of Huron Diocesan W. A.—Public missionary meeting at 8 p.m., in Croydon Hall.

HAWKER AND GRIEVE ARE DECORATED BY KING WITH INSIGNIA OF AIR FORCE CROSS

Daring Aviators Are Received At Buckingham Palace.

FIRST TO GET HONOR

Crowds in Front of the Royal Palace Cheer Intrepid Airmen.

London, May 28.—Harry Hawker and Lieut.-Commander Grieve, who reached here from Thurso, Scotland, after being rescued in mid-ocean when the airplane in which they were attempting to cross the Atlantic alighted near the Danish steamer Mary, were received by King George at Buckingham this morning.

His majesty bestowed on Hawker and Grieve the insignia of the Air Force Cross. They are the first actual recipients of this order.

An immense crowd gathered in front of Buckingham Palace to witness the arrival of Hawker and Grieve, who were loudly cheered when they made their appearance. The crowd also gave them an ovation when they left the palace. The Air Cross with which King George decorated Hawker and Grieve is a new honor which is bestowed for "devotion to duty."

SOPWITH AIRPLANE USED HALF OF ITS SUPPLY OF GASOLINE

London, May 27.—The Sopwith airplane, driven by Harry Hawker on his successful attempt to fly across the Atlantic, started from St. Johns with a full tank of 340 gallons. Half this amount had been used when the airplane alighted in the sea near the Danish transport steamer Mary.

In talking of the voyage, Lieut.-Commander Mackenzie Grieve said today that in his opinion the future of aerial navigation lies in the perfection of wireless equipment for airplanes, by which the machines may be guided.

AIRMEN REMAINED COOL WHEN WAVES DASHED OVER PLANE

London, May 28.—Describing further the trip of Hawker and Grieve in their attempt to cross the Atlantic in a Sopwith airplane, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says that Hawker remained seated throughout the voyage.

Ruth Law to Make an Attempt to Fly Across Atlantic

Well-Known Aviatrix To Try and Make Flight Within Six Weeks.

Chicago, May 28.—Ruth Law, aviatrix, before leaving for New York today, announced that she plans to attempt a transatlantic flight within six weeks. She will use a new Curtiss land biplane, equipped with two Curtiss-Kirkham motors of 400 horsepower each, and will be accompanied by James H. Doolittle, her mechanic. The machine is now being built for her by the Curtiss Company, she says.

FOOD SUPPLIES ARE READY FOR PETROGRAD

Shipments Awaiting Release By Word From Allies.

Paris, May 28.—The allied council on food supply now has eight ships loaded with food products and flour, at Helsingfors, Danzig, Rangoon, and other Baltic ports, and these cargoes have been delivered in Petrograd, and seven days, their delivery, however, will have to await joint orders from the allied powers, and the situation is yet forthcoming, pending the outcome of events in Russia.

RUSSIANS ARE NOT TO LEAVE PETROGRAD

London, May 28.—A Russian wireless message today denies the report that explosions had occurred in Petrograd, due to its approaching evacuation. The dispatch declares there is no intention of abandoning the city and that reinforcements already sent to the Gatchina front south of Petrograd are succeeding in driving back the enemy.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 81; lowest, 51.

TOMORROW—FINE AND WARM.

Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

MENTIONED AS POSSIBLE APPOINTEES AS BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO U.S.



DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE. GEN. JAN CHRISTIAN SMUTS.
Paris, May 28.—The names of the Duke of Devonshire and General Jan Christian Smuts are among those now mentioned as possible appointees as British ambassador to Washington.

"ONE BIG UNION" MOVEMENT IS CAUSE OF PRESENT STRIKES

Calgary, Alta., May 28.—Via Seattle.—The charge was made yesterday by Hon. Gideon Robertson, minister of labor, in a telegram to Mayor Marshall of Calgary that the present strike situation in Canada is a move by radicals to assume control of governmental affairs.

In his telegram sent from Winnipeg, Mr. Robertson charges the "one big union" movement as the underlying cause of the whole trouble.

GERMAN COUNTER PROPOSALS TO MAINTAIN PEACE TREATY IS NOT BASED ON "14 POINTS"

Enemy Delegates Claim That the Abandonment of Wilson's Conditions Would Be a Breach of a Legal Agreement—Argue That Present Status of Democratic Government Has Been Overlooked.

Berlin, May 27.—The German counter-proposals to the terms of the treaty of peace will, in the opening section, argue for the existence of Germany's contractual right to a peace based on President Wilson's fourteen points, because the Entente nations agreed to a peace on that basis, and neither Mr. Wilson nor the representatives of any other Allied Government have since demanded that peace be established on any other basis. Thus, it is argued, an abandonment of the fourteen points by the Entente would be a breach of legal agreement, and a dictated peace would be a breach of a given promise.

The counter proposals will declare that the terms of peace completely ignore the fact that Germany has repaid an "imperialistic and irresponsible government" by a strictly democratic one, and that Germany in her proposals for a league of nations has adhered to the principle of a limitation of armaments.

LABOR FEDERATION PROTESTS AGAINST TERMS OF TREATY

Paris, May 28.—The national committee on the general labor federation has passed resolutions condemning the secrecy in which the treaty of peace has been framed and protesting against the conditions imposed by an incomplete knowledge of the document.

The resolutions also protest against the denial of the right of self-determination of peoples; discussed annexation; the repudiation of solemn engagements concerning the League of Nations and the return to the old system of alliances; the absence of an international financial system and economic organization; a continuation of the economic war and the failure to incorporate in the treaty a real international labor charter.

Would Bar Plays by George Bernard Shaw from Canada

Edmonton Members of the I. O. D. E. Charge Author's Writings As Anti-British.

Montreal, May 28.—That George Bernard Shaw is openly anti-British, and that his plays should be barred from presentation in Canada, is the view of the Edmonton Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E. In its recommendations tabled at the convention of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

COSTS 500 RUBLES A DAY TO LIVE IN PETROGRAD

Washington, May 28.—Official reports from Petrograd show that the death rate in that city now exceeds 1,000 daily, according to Swedish press reports received today at the state department. Further reductions in the food rations, even for workers have been made, and it is estimated that no worker is able to live even in a modest way on less than five hundred rubles a day.

KING ALBERT TO VISIT WASHINGTON

Paris, May 28.—King Albert of Belgium is expected to visit Washington to attend the initial meeting of the league of nations next October.

Strike Must End Before Manitoba Government Will Help In Any Negotiations Between Employers and Men

EMPLOYERS AND MEN MUST CHANGE VIEWS IF LABOR PROBLEMS ARE TO BE SOLVED

Toronto Manufacturer Gives Evidence Before Royal Commission.

MUCH UNEMPLOYMENT

High Paid Munition Workers Object to Ordinary After War Wages.

Toronto, May 28.—"Work creates work; that's the point the men in the shop don't get," said T. A. Russell today. He declared that organized labor must bring some constructive plan which would avoid the limitation of production before they would be welcomed with open arms by the employers.

T. A. Russell of the Russell Motor Car Company, declared that there was a desire on the part of the employer to get to the bottom of the labor difficulties. In his opinion the unrest was due in part to a laudable desire of everyone to improve his position. During the war there had been universal employment at high wages. There was now unemployment among unskilled labor. His company had employed 35,000 men during the war. They now had 550 on bicycle work and 250 on motor work, or 600 altogether. By the end of the year they should reach 1,000 or 1,500 on motor work.

Must Get Assurance.

Manufacturers, he said, were reluctant to welcome unions with open arms until organized labor came frankly out on the question of limitation of production and as long as there were sympathetic strikes.

SCOTLAND TO SEE MANY LEAVE FOR HOMES IN AMERICA

Overseas Settlement Office To Provide Free Passage to Ex-Service Men.

London, May 21.—The overseas settlement office, virtually a department of the colonial office, has set on foot a campaign to encourage the return of ex-servicemen to their homes in Scotland. Inquiries for transport are already enormous.

U-BOAT TO VISIT 25 PORTS ON WAY UP GREAT LAKES

Montreal, May 28.—The U.C.-97 which was in the harbor for the last thirty-six hours left at 6 a.m. today in tow of the tug Toronto for Ogdensburg, N. Y. From that point she will proceed up the river and great lakes to Milwaukee, stopping at 25 Canadian and American ports on the way.

WHEN CANADIAN SOLDIERS MADE A SLIP WORLD KNEW IT, BUT IF BRITISH, PRESS KEPT IT QUIET

Col. Peck, V. C., Replies to Criticisms of Truth, an English Publication—Maintains Certain Number of the British Newspapers Showed Unfairness in Comparative Reports.

London, May 21.—Delayed—Canadian Associated Press.—In a recent issue of Truth, an English publication, there are some serious criticisms of Col. Peck, V. C., for his strictures on Sir Charles Ferguson for putting Colingdale out of bounds to Canadians. Col. Peck now writes to Truth declaring it is a "case of an unwarranted falsehood" that he threw out at the end of the British press. What I did say was to point out that certain sections of the British press seized on every incident of irregularity in connection with the Canadians and blazoned it forth to the world, while even more serious things had happened in the British army.

Truth, replying to Col. Peck's letter today, alleges that he said that in 1917 he was in town when 14,000 British troops were in open insurrection and 4,000 Canadians were called in to guard railways and bridges. This, says Truth, is a mud-slinging, and it is also incorrect to say that the English press has given more prominence to outbreaks among colonial troops than among home troops.

Premier Norris Replies to Communication From General Strike Committee of Winnipeg—Minister of Labor in an Interview Declares That No One Can Tell Where the General Strike Movement Will End.

QUIET IN THE WEST.
Ottawa, May 28.—Word received from the west today indicates that conditions are quiet. The postoffice department has been advised that "a good many" of the striking postal employees in Winnipeg have returned to work.

Winnipeg, May 27.—Via St. Paul, May 28.—In reply to a communication from the general strike committee, Premier Norris has written the committee stating that the Manitoba Government "feels that the present sympathetic strike must be discontinued before the Government can either properly or effectively participate in any negotiations toward a settlement of disputes between employers and employees."

The letter of the general strike committee contained the following offer: "We are prepared to recommend for appointment two men in the person of G. B. Anderson and E. Robinson, secretary of the trades and labor council, to act as labor representatives under the industrial disputes act provided that the Government is prepared to guarantee that the right of collective bargaining, as outlined by the trades and labor council, will be secured and that when the same was agreed to by the board the Government would enact legislation by order-in-council or otherwise at once, and that same having been disposed of, the question of reinstatement of all strikers, without discrimination, would then be settled before the present strike was called off."

"This, we believe, is the best possible means of arriving at a settlement of the present acute situation, and would, we believe, prevent a recurrence of the present situation which is most desirable to all concerned."

Cannot See the End.
Senator Gideon Robertson, minister of labor in an interview, said: "No one can tell where the strike will end. Postal employees in Calgary have gone out. A sympathetic strike has been called in Edmonton and Brandon, but it is only partially successful. The strike seems to be going west. The public utilities have not been pulled out in these places."

One sign of progress is the fact that officers of the railroad organizations, making up the so-called running trades, after a long conference here with local leaders, have decided definitely that they will take no part in this sympathetic strike because of the motives back of it.

Pickets Intimidate Men.
"Seventy postal employees returned to work, but more would have returned had not strikers intimidated them with pickets. There would have been less intimidation had the police been more aggressive."

So far as I can see there is no indication of a near settlement. The Government will stand pat on its ultimatum that postal employees who struck in sympathy will forfeit their positions. There will be no getting away from this.

Vice-President Kennedy of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, in a public utility, said: "We are certainly a public utility. We have a Dominion law which governs our action on the public utilities question so far as strikes are concerned. Beyond that I should not care to speak just now as regards the attitude of the union toward the present sympathetic strike."

MAYOR CHURCH TO HEAD BIG DELEGATION TO SEE PREMIER

Toronto Citizens Not Worried Over Prospects of General Strike Called For Friday Morning.

Toronto, May 28.—This city today enjoyed a temporary relief from the anxiety of an immediate general strike, while Mayor Church and his big delegation of employers and service employees, with board of trade and other representative citizens, prepared to leave tonight for Ottawa, to place the whole matter before the premier, Sir Robert Borden.

There has been no change in the situation since 2 o'clock this morning when the strike was called off. The postal clerks have been exhibiting some unrest over the delay of the Government regarding reclassification. There has been talk for some days of a general postal strike in the Canadian west, but so far as known here, the strikers in this service have been confined to the cities already in the throes of the general strike.

BELGIAN FRONTIERS ARE CLOSED, TROOPS TO BE MOBILIZED

Action Taken As Precaution in Event of German Not Signing.

Amsterdam, May 28.—A dispatch received here from Eindhoven states that the Belgian frontiers have been closed and that all Belgian soldiers have been recalled from leave. It is reported that general mobilization will be ordered at the termination of the period given the Germans to sign the treaty of peace.

NC-4 MAKES TRIP FROM AZORES TO PORTUGAL PORT

Flight of 800 Miles Is Made in Nine Hours and Forty-Three Minutes.

FINAL LAP TODAY? Last Leg of Journey Is From Lisbon to Plymouth, England.

Washington, D. C., May 27.—Blazing the way of the first air trail from the western to the eastern hemisphere, the United States Navy seaplane NC-4, under Lieutenant-Commander Albert Cushing Read swept into the harbor at Lisbon, Portugal, today, the first ship of any kind to have crossed the Atlantic ocean under its own power and through its natural element.